occurring in the selection grade should not be filled up by promotion from the ordinary grade until all the supernumerary officers have been absorbed. The Surgeon-General should see that the total permanent strength of the service, inclusive of the supernumeraries, does not exceed the sanctioned strength of the cadre.

4. *Grant of leave to the officers discharged.*—The Government consider that no leave should be granted to these officers beyond the date of expiry of the three months' notice.

5. *Discharge of Local Fund Sub-Assistant Surgeons.*—The Government do not see sufficient grounds for asking local bodies to retire their servants in order to make room for Government officers.

6. In paragraph 4 of G.O. No. 937, P.H., dated 12th June 1923, the Surgeon-General was asked to submit, through the Accountant-General, a detailed statement showing the strength of the cadres of the two services as they will stand after the reduction. The statements appended to the Surgeon-General's letter No. 1751–5, dated 6th/10th July 1923, give only the total number of appointments of Civil Assistant Surgeons and Sub-Assistant Surgeons. The Surgeon-General is requested to submit a more detailed statement explaining clearly how the various figures have been arrived at as regards both permanent and temporary appointments. The statement should, as already ordered, be submitted through the Accountant-General.

(By order of the Government, Ministry of Local Self-Government)

P. L. MOORE,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Surgeon-General.
" Accountant-General.

Copy to the Finance Department.

II

AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS.

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" I have to inform the House that the following Gentlemen have been nominated for election to the Select Committee to consider the amendments to Standing Order 44 (1) (i) :—

(1) Rao Bahadur A. S. Krishna Rao Pantulu.

(2) Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar.

(3) The hon. Mr. C. P. Ramaswami Ayyar.

(4) Rai Bahadur T. M. Narasimhacharlu.

(5) Mr. B. Muniswami Nayudu.

(6) " Janab Muhammad Yahya Ali Sahib.

" As the number of candidates nominated for election is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, namely six, I hereby declare the above-mentioned Gentlemen to be duly elected under Regulation II (4) of the Regulations for the holding of elections by means of the single transferable vote and I nominate Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar, a Chairman of the Council, to be a member of the Select Committee."